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Dear Sir or Madam:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed May 23, 2003, please consider the following amendments, traversal, provisional election, and remarks. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendments prior to examination of the captioned application. Amendments to the specification are found at page 2, amendments to the claims begin on page 3, and remarks begin on page 19. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Fee Transmittal Sheet (in duplicate), with appropriate fee.

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